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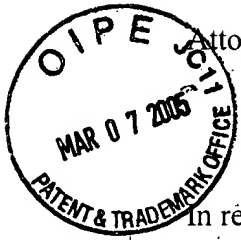
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Capabilities

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RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 3, 2004 OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the final Office Action mailed December 3, 2004. Applicant respectfully requests amendment of the patent application, and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.